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to whom is concerned,

is the MS settlement adequate?

more than adequate . . .

in my industry, specifically publishing, I would ask . . . where was the gov in the '60s, '70s, and early '80s. this was the infancy period when chaos reigned. no common op systems, no common disk formats, no gov effort to establish standards. so what happened? the public "users" sorted their way though the mess and selected the system that best provided a clear path to the future.

and what did the future hold . . . legal morass. A gov initiated suit where MS is said to injure "consumers". A suit where not one real consumer was called to testify. A suit where only MS competitors whined their laments to a judge who requires 3 names just to know who he is.

probably by now you know how I feel.

MS op sys with their Office applications, and Adobe applications, with Intuit, with . . . is the any end to the list, has made my work easy. In the '50s I needed 10 semi-trailers to handle 5,400 fonts , , , today I hold them in my hand. In the '50s it took 3 people 8 hours to compose a newspaper page . . . today 1 person creates 16 pages in the same time.

I can paginate 500+ catalog pages in 4 hours. I helped create this MS monster . . . and I would have to do it again.

please allow the current judgement stand without alteration.

please don't allow further penalties that will injure MS or injure consumers, especially as in the "tobacco suits" where injured smokers are not aided by states languishing in their spoils.

respectfully

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